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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicant(s) hereby petition(s) under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for an extension of time for response in the above-identified application for the period required to make the attached response timely.

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()	By a small entity (§1.96	(f))			
()	By other than a small e	ntity	•••••	\$ 120.00	
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Extensi	on fee for response withi	n third month:			
()	By a small entity (§1.9)	(f))	•••••	\$ 510.00	
()	By other than a small e	ntity		\$ 1020.00	
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Extensi	on fee for response within	n fourth month:			
()	By a small entity (§1.9	(f))		\$ 795.00	
()	By other than a small e	ntity		\$1590.00	
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Extensi	on fee for response withi	n fifth month:			
()	By a small entity (§1.9	(f))		\$1080.00	
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(X) The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required to this petition, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 07-2069. Should no proper amount be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 07-2069. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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